

TIME GROWS SHORT TO WIN PRIZE; CONTEST WILL CLOSE MARCH 21

Special Prize of \$15 in Gold Won By Mrs. Ben Hendricks—Now the Race Is On for the Three Grand Prizes—Get Busy For the Finish.

Metaphorically speaking, we take off our hat to all of the contestants for the interest and activity they displayed during the period between Feb. 1 and Feb. 28, in which they were eagerly striving to win the special prize of \$15 in gold offered to the contestant turning in the largest amount of money on subscriptions. Congratulations are due every contestant because the effort made by all of them to win the \$15 in gold puts them nearer the three big prizes than they would have been if their activity and interest had been less.

The special prize of \$15 in gold was won by Mrs. Ben Hendricks. While other contestants will regret that this bit of good fortune was not theirs we are sure they will good naturedly join with the Contest Manager in congratulating the winner. After the close of the contest, when the winners of the three grand prizes are announced, The Sentinel will publish the various amounts of money turned in by the contestants during the period ending Feb. 28, and those who endeavored to win the \$15 in gold may then see how they stood in that special feature of the contest.

Contest Closes Soon

This is the week in which those in the race for the big prizes—the \$700 player piano, the diamond ring and the lifetime business college scholarship—will start toward the golden goal. The contest closes on Saturday, March 21. Promptly at four o'clock on the afternoon of that day the contest will close. Then the votes will be counted by a disinterested committee composed of three prominent citizens of this county, whose names will be announced in next week's issue of The Sentinel. This committee will certify to the correctness of the vote.

Official public announcement of the final result will be made known through the columns of The Sentinel on Thursday, March 26. Absolutely no information as to the identity of the winners will be given out or divulged previous to that time.

Get Busy Quick

As the closing day of the contest is so near it behooves every contestant to get busier than ever. Activity and interest must not only be continued but quickened and increased.

And there is one thing that will help a whole lot toward success. That thing is enthusiasm. Each and every candidate should cultivate enthusiasm. It spells success.

If you are enthusiastic your friends will very quickly become so. The interest you can create among your friends depends entirely upon the amount of interest and enthusiasm you yourself display. Convince every one you meet that you are really in earnest, that you intend to win the piano. You will find your friends and the public generally are willing and anxious to assist the candidates who show the disposition to help themselves.

The Campaign Manager had

a conversation with two of the contestants Saturday at different hours. One was regretting the lack of interest shown by friends and complaining of the fact that they did not seem to be getting a good start. The other was bubbling over with success. All of their friends had either given them a subscription or promise.

What was the difference? Both had the same number of friends and each was as popular as the other. Here is the difference—the second had become enthused, and you know enthusiasm is catching. When they went into the presence of friends they were won over immediately. The other started in a half hearted way and friends found that they could put them off easily, which they of course did.

Wake up! Show the people you approach that you really want that piano. And keep smiling. A cheery, happy smile will win more for you than many words. Take it for granted that you will get what you go after and you will be the possessor of that object.

Have you ever stopped to consider advantages gained through the work you do while actively engaged in the contest? You meet with all classes of people, have an excellent chance to study human nature, and in doing so you see things in life that you have never met with before.

You gradually become proficient in asking people for what you want; you do not haggle around the bush for half an hour before you come to the point, but learn to be concise in speech, level headed in business and accustomed to the ways of the people of the world.

All this training can be gained only through practical experience—a few hard knocks and a little energy. Now is your chance to receive the three all in one. Don't be blushing, backward person, but get out and be a hustler and a winner.

Now as the closing day of the contest has been announced let every contestant who expects and wants to win the piano, get busy as they have never been busy before. The race is going to be extremely exciting and close. Several contestants are running in a bunch. Are you going to be a winner?

How They Stand

Below will be found a list of the contestants and their standing, according to the votes counted up to Saturday night, February 28:

Easley
Miss Mabel Henderson..... \$75,000
" Lila Ballew..... 375,000
" Agnes Gohlighly..... 387,000

Liberty
Miss Nelle Robinson..... 383,000
" Kate Black..... 365,000
" Annie Belle Brown..... 303,000
" Essie Clayton, R. 3..... 379,000

Clemson College
Miss Lillian Ramsay..... 388,000

Pickens
Miss Nina Porter, R. 3..... 301,000
Homer Edens..... 385,000
Mrs. Ben Hendricks..... 390,000
Miss Essie Kelley..... 355,000
Robert Welborn..... 351,000
Mrs. Jesse Morris..... 381,000
Miss Etta Mae Merck, R. 2..... 360,000
Raymond Cox..... 345,000

Next Best Offer

The next best offer of Extra Votes in The Sentinel's \$700 Player Piano Contest is as follows:

Price of The Sentinel	Regular Scale Votes	Extra Votes	Total Vote
One Year \$1.00	3,000	15,000	18,000
Two Years 2.00	6,000	30,000	36,000
Three Years 3.00	9,000	45,000	54,000
Four Years 4.00	12,000	60,000	72,000
Five Years 5.00	15,000	75,000	90,000

This is the number of votes given on subscriptions to The Sentinel from March 1st to 14th.

Court Proceedings

Following are results of cases tried at the February term of court here and not reported in The Sentinel last week: State vs. Ada Rosemond, violation of dispensary law; guilty; paid fine of \$100. State vs. C. P. Caudle, Purman James and Henry Perry, injury to jail, guilty; sentenced to one year each on chain-gang.

State vs. John McAlister, murder, mistrial. More interest was manifested in this case than any other on the docket. The jury went in at 6 o'clock in the evening and were out all night, announcing a mistrial at 10 o'clock the next day. It is understood that the jury stood seven for murder and five for manslaughter. This trial will come up again at the next term of court here.

State vs. Ezelle Thompson, rape; verdict of not guilty directed by the court. State vs. C. P. Caudle, housebreaking and larceny, two cases; guilty on both; sentenced to two years on county chain-gang.

State vs. James Johnson, violation of dispensary law; pleaded guilty; sentenced to pay a fine of \$150 or six months on chain-gang; upon payment of \$50 balance of sentence suspended during good behavior.

The case of Martin Vandiver Lumber Co. vs. M. C. Smith, contested most interest among the cases in Pickens.

for Mr. Smith about four years ago and sued him for about \$400, which he refused to pay, claiming that his house was not built according to plans and specifications. The jury decided in Mr. Smith's favor.

The same company had a similar suit against Dr. E. G. Kirven, of Easley, and a consent verdict was directed in Mr. Kirven's favor.

The case of T. D. Harris vs. John F. Harris, W. T. Bates, M. C. Smith and "Bill" Jeans was argued Tuesday. In this case Mr. T. D. Harris claims that he sold the defendants a tract of land and that there are about 32 acres of it which he has not been paid for.

The jury decided in favor of the defendants, and the plaintiff gave notice of an appeal. This was the last case on the docket.

Court adjourned sine die Wednesday.

Found Dead in Bed.

Mr. Ole Barr was found dead in bed at his home near the Easley cotton mill Monday. Mr. Barr was about 30 years old and lived alone at the old Barr homestead. Monday, about 12 o'clock, a neighbor went to his home to see him on business and found him in bed dead. Coroner Medlin was notified and went to the scene, but found it unnecessary to hold an inquest, as Dr. Gilliland examined the body and stated that death was due to natural causes, probably Bright's disease.

Dewey Dobson Killed By 13-Year-Old Boy

Dewey Dobson, fourteen years old, was shot thru the heart and instantly killed by Marshall Summey, thirteen years old, at the residence of Mr. W. A. Dobson, near Central, last Friday afternoon. The killing was not intentional, but was due to carelessness.

The boys had been rabbit hunting and stopped at Mr. Dobson's (uncle of the dead boy) for dinner. After dinner they, with some other boys, were in the yard playing and began snapping guns at each other, and the gun young Summey pointed at the Dobson boy was loaded and fired. Just before the shot was fired Mrs. Dobson had told the boys to be more careful.

Magistrate Rowland held an inquest and brought the Summey boy to the sheriff at Pickens, but Sheriff Roark had been to the scene and learned the particulars, so he sent the boy back home.

Dewey Dobson was a son of Mr. Clayton Dobson, and Marshall Summey is a son of Mr. Edd Summey, both living about two miles east of Central. The parents of both boys have the sympathy of the entire community in this unfortunate affair.

Norris Notes

The preaching days have been changed at Norris. Rev. D. W. Hiett preaches first Sunday a. m., and Rev. McFarlane preaches second Sunday a. m.

Secol at Norris is not having a good attendance at present, as measles are raging among the pupils.

Mr. J. E. Parsons made a business trip to Easley Tuesday. Mr. Dallas McA lister of Pickens route 6 was among friends in Norris last Saturday.

S. E. Mauldin spent Friday and Saturday in the Mile Creek section.

Miss Caroline and Essie Clayton spent Friday in Central.

Mr. Alonzo Freeman, who is engaged in business with the Southern Power Co., of High Point, N. C., made a visit to homefolks recently.

Mr. William Williams went to Pickens Tuesday on business. Mr. Luther Kelly has been remodeling the store house, formerly the Brown store, and is going into the mercantile business.

Mr. Wade Williams has recently been visiting in the Six Mile section.

Mr. James Alexander of Pendleton was among friends Saturday and Sunday in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cantrell of Pendleton made a pleasant visit to relatives near Norris last week.

Mr. Willie Clayton had the misfortune of cutting his knee while chopping last week.

Rev. W. L. Walker filled his regular appointment Sunday evening at Golden Creek. The attendance was very good considering the bad weather.

Mr. Walker preached an excellent sermon.

Mr. Alfred Bolding was called to the bed side of his mother recently, who is very sick.

There will be a teacher's meeting in the Pickens graded school building Saturday, 14th. The county superintendent of education is very anxious that every teacher in the county will be present on that day.

Dr. O. O. Fletcher, of the faculty of Furman University, preached two excellent sermons in the Baptist church here Sunday.

The Hollow of Her Hand

THE story of a woman who protects the girl slayer of her husband in order to secure revenge upon his family for the persecution she endured at their hands during her young wifehood.

Our next serial—you'll enjoy it!

George Barr McCutcheon at His Best in our new serial

The Hollow of Her Hand Don't Miss It!

LAW MAKERS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

MEMBERS OF LEGISLATURE ARE DOING VERY LITTLE BUT HOLDING ON.

DISPATCHES FROM COLUMBIA

Doings and Happenings That Mark the Progress of South Carolina People, Gathered Around the State Capitol.

Columbia.

The house and senate received a special message from the governor about the Fortner bill and the two cent passenger rate bill. Something was also said in the message about the constitutional provision that an act shall become a law if the governor does not sign it or return it to the general assembly within his signature in three days after he receives it. The message intimated that the legislators would have plenty of time to pass the Fortner bill and the two cent rate bill while the governor was considering the general appropriation bill, and that unless the two bills were acted on the governor might call a special session of the general assembly next spring.

As a matter of fact, the house has passed both the Fortner bill and the two cent passenger rate bill. Nothing was done in the senate toward redeeming itself. Its session of routine, negation and reaction continued.

"We are a lawless people," cried Senator Verner of Oconee county, in a vigorous speech made against the Lawson-Harper-McCrawey compulsory education bill, which Senator Lawson had canned up.

Senator Verner said that a compulsory education law could not be enforced. He said that the people of South Carolina had absolute disregard for law, and told the senators that recently a citizen had said that he could commit murder in this state without fear of punishment.

The senator from Oconee said that compulsory education would stir up strife. He also asked: "Who in the name of heaven wants you to clothe his children?"

The senator said that he was prepared to talk to the end of the session against the bill. He yielded to Senator Carlisle, upon whose motion debate was adjourned until next day.

House.

In the house occurred something out of the ordinary, in the refusal of the house to adopt the free conference report on the hog cholera serum bill.

The report adopted by the house gave up its amendments and accept the senate bill. Messrs. Belser and Mixson argued that it would be better to stick to the present law and said that the senate bill was along wrong lines.

Refusal to adopt the conference report leaves the law as it was. Providing that Clemson college shall furnish the serum at cost to persons able to pay for it and free of charge to those not so fortunate. The senate bill provided that the serum be furnished at cost to all applicants.

The house passed to third reading the Stuckey bill to empower the inspectors of Clemson college to enter the plant of any fertilizer manufacturer in South Carolina. Mr. Sturkie of Calhoun, who championed the bill in the house, said that the measure was intended to enable the inspectors to find out from what source the ammonia in fertilizer was derived.

The Weston bill providing for a system of medical inspection for school children of the state was passed to third reading by the house by a vote of 52 to 30 after unsuccessful efforts had been made to exempt various counties from its provisions.

An act to pay a bond held by a woman in Daytona, Fla., failed of passage in the house over the veto of the governor, by a vote of 44 to 43. The act undertook to permit the payment of a bond outlawed by an act requiring bonds to be presented within 20 years.

The bill by Mr. McMaster of Richland relative to excessive stock is

Year of Results By Tomato Growers. The 1,687 girls in 16 counties in South Carolina, enrolled as members of the girls' canning clubs put up 190,203 cans of tomatoes in 1913, according to a statistical report which has been prepared for the United States department of agriculture by Miss Edith L. Parrott, state agent for the girls' tomato club work. Of the 1,687 young girls enlisted in the work in South Carolina, 744 reported on their crop. In addition to the tomatoes, members of the clubs put up 42,441 cans of other farm products.

The total value of all products from the club gardens was \$24,790.64. The average cost of production per one-tenth of an acre was \$7.92. The average cost of canning the products from one-tenth of an acre was \$11.40. The average profit per one-tenth acre was \$31.36 or \$313.60 per acre.

The work in South Carolina is to be extended this year, according to a letter from Miss Parrott. Appointments of county agents will be announced in a few days by Miss Parrott. She is busy at present preparing for the annual spring meeting of the agents at Winthrop College.

Residents say that Sunday night was the coldest here in six years.

Miss Norma Griffin, who is teaching school at Catechee, spent the week-end with homefolks here.

A. B. Riggins, of near Liberty, was in Pickens Tuesday. Mr. Riggins has recently moved to this county from near Mt. Airy, Ga. He is a native of this county, but has made his home in Georgia for several years. His many friends are glad to welcome him back.

Cotton Planters. We handle the Covington hill cotton planter, absolutely the best on the market. You will have to see it to appreciate its worth. If you need one let us know early so we can order it out. Pickens Hardware and Grocery Company.

Wanted. The merchants of Pickens county get in touch with Dixie Flour and Grain Co., wholesale grocers. They are located opposite Pates & Allen, Greenville, and sell groceries very close. Also buy peas and cane seed. Phone 1164.

Demonstration Work Spreading. The demonstration work of the United States department of agriculture co-operating with Winthrop college is rapidly spreading. During the past week the work was accepted and contracts signed by Issaquena mills, Central; Woodside, Judson and Mills Manufacturing company, Greenville; Ware Shoals company, Easley and Alice mills at Easley, and the mill at Liberty. These are in addition to Rock Hill, and make in all, counting each mill, a total of 19 mills.

New Trucking District in Horry. Horry county is to have a new trucking district this season, and freight is to be hauled into and out of a rich section of South Carolina that has never in all its history employed any kind of transportation facilities.

About a week ago Representative Stanley of Horry called Commissioner Watson's attention to the fact that in the extreme northeastern portion of Horry county the people were anxious to go into the planting of potatoes for market.

Fire in Rock Hill Hospital. Fire broke out in the old hospital building a few nights ago on East Clay street and practically destroyed the main building. This building was unoccupied, but the annexes adjoining were. When discovered the main building was a mass of flames and got such a start of the firemen until it is a practical loss.

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STATE ITEMS

OF INTEREST TO ALL SOUTH CAROLINA PEOPLE.

Increase in Stock.

There has been an increase of very nearly \$10,250,000 in the value of the live stock in the State of South Carolina since 1910 according to a statement issued a few days ago by the department of agriculture as a supplement to the annual report of 1914. The report shows also an increased value of \$10,000 head of live stock in the period indicated. A little over a quarter of the \$10,250,000 increase is in the value of mules and over \$2,000,000 in the value of horses. These increases, of course, are not unusually significant except that they indicate the extension of agricultural undertakings and to some extent the greater utilization of farm machinery.

The really gratifying increase that has occurred is in both the number and value of hogs as a result of a state campaign for "something to eat in 1914." There are 115,000 more hogs in South Carolina this year than in 1910 and the value of the hogs has increased over \$2,250,000 in the same length of time. There has been only a slight increase in the number of milch cows, but their value has increased by nearly \$1,100,000. A very significant increase is that in the value of all other classes of cattle on the farms, other than milch cows, the value in 1910 being \$2,508,000 and that in 1910 being \$3,144,000.

Marlboro Farmers Talk Staple. Several interesting and instructive articles in regard to the planting of long staple cotton have been published recently. The question is of vital interest to the farmers of Marlboro county. As yet it is impossible to reach a conclusion as to the weight of authority and of opinion in favor of or against long staple. As common rumor and street talk it can be heard that the shortage in the cotton crop in this county for the past season was due to the fact that so many of the farmers planted so much more long staple, but when it comes down to the actual comparison and statement from accurate figures it is more than doubtful if the shortage can be accounted for in this way, and it would seem that general crop conditions and seasons in this county had more to do with the shortage than anything else. The indications are that the crop in this county will be about 12,000 to 13,000 bales short from the crop of the season before.

Senate.

The Hall bill to prevent railroads from locking the doors of coaches passed and was sent to the house.

The house vital statistics measure was allowed to go to a third reading. This places the senate and house bills in position for passage.

The senate adopted the Kirk concurrent resolution in regard to naming the forts at Panama.

When the Richland delegation bill to amend the commission government act, so as to allow a councilman to run for mayor without first resigning as councilman, was called, Senator McLaurin moved to table it. Senator Weston asked that it be passed over.

Debate on the 2-cent rate bill was continued throughout the greater part of the session in the senate, and that body adjourned by a vote of 20 to 14 just before midnight with the measure still to be disposed of. A motion made to indefinitely postpone the bill was lost by a vote of 24 to 13. The committee amendments were tabled by a vote of 20 to 17.

When Senator Earle called for the regular order and the 2-cent rate bill came up, Senator Clifton, who had taken the floor from the morning session, asked the indulgence of Senator Earle for 10 minutes, saying that he was indisposed. Senator Clifton said that he would speak within 10 minutes or yield the floor and make no further objection.

In a few minutes Senator Clifton yielded the floor, saying that he could not speak because of indisposition.

Senator Crouch moved to indefinitely postpone the bill. This motion was lost by a vote of 24 to 13.

Senator Dannis' pending motion to strike out the enacting words was then lost by a very light vote and may vote; though it was objected that Senator Dannis' motion was not in order and had thereby forfeited his motion.

Senator Carlisle then moved to table the railroad committee amendments, which Senator Earle again contended would simply re-enact the existing laws, except that the railroads would be permitted to sell interchangeable mileage books.

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STATE NEWS BRIEFS.

The governor has appointed the following township assessors for Cherokee county: J. J. Montgomery, W. G. Fowler, T. Estes, L. R. Ross, P. Smith, E. J. Clary, R. P. Scruggs, J. C. F. Scruggs, E. Blanton, J. D. Jeffries.

Some of Denmark's public spirited citizens have finished installing an acetylene gas plant at the high school building, and the power is sufficient for lighting the school building and the Baptist and Methodist churches.

Arch McQueen, of Latta, was seriously injured a few days ago by a rifle bullet which struck him in the eye putting it out. He aimed at a suspended bell as a target, the bullet glancing the clapper, striking the side of the bell, rebounding and striking him in the eye.

An election was held at Latta recently for the purpose of voting bonds amounting to \$65,000 to provide for the installation of a sewage, light and waterworks plant for the town. The election carried unanimously, not a single vote being recorded against the project.

Columbia now seems assured of an adequate union passenger station in Columbia, adopting the committee amendments and returning the bill to the house.

When the cotton crop in Marlboro county was somewhat short the past season, other crops have been given to corn and oats than ever before in the history of the county.

The Winayak Masonic Temple Association, which has just recently been organized at Georgetown, is now preparing to hold a fair early in May. From the preparations being made, and the way the committee which has it in charge are going after it, this fair will probably be one of the largest and most interesting entertainments held in this section of the state for some time.

If you want shingles see J. T. Taylor. He is selling the Keasler shingle, cut from original forest pine. Every shingle is guaranteed to be full length, width and thickness.

For Sale—On March 17th house-hold goods, milch cow, farm tools, machinery etc., and real-estate. H. D. Anderson, Rock Hill, S. C.

"At the Village Postoffice"

At School Auditorium, Friday Night, March 6, 8.30 o'clock

CAST OF CHARACTERS:

Hosea Howe, postmaster.....	Bertran Porter
Sophia Titterton, assistant.....	Nannie Porter
Bill Bluster, carrier, R. F. D. No. 3.....	Dwight Attaway
Benjamin Bullett, a relic of the war.....	Douglas Youngue
Obediah Wayback, oldest citizen.....	Casey Porter
Deacon Skinner, the town pessimist.....	Rev. L. E. Wiggins
Prof. Willow, the schoolmaster.....	Fletcher Porter
George Washington Jones, colored.....	Marshall Parsons
E. Z. Marks, who answers advertisement.....	H. E. Jones
C. D. Dooless, the town squire.....	Douglas Youngue
Artie Wisebov, from the city.....	Casey Porter
U. R. Wright, drummer.....	Marshall Parsons
Seth Swallow, the village scamp.....	Prof. Ballentine
Bob Worthington, the bright boy.....	Hagood Bruce
Teddy Johnson, young American.....	Leon Robinson
Dick Quill, the country editor.....	Harry Robinson
Prof. Sleeper, the hypnotist.....	Rev. L. E. Wiggins
Will Hunkers, candidate for matrimony.....	Mack Christopher
Maggie Ketchum, village cut-up.....	Ora McFall
Rose Highcrown, milliner.....	Mattie Griffin
Arabelle Tittletattle, the gossip.....	Florence Bowen
Aunt Mirandy, a good old soul.....	Mary Morris
Dorothea Dimple, the village belle.....	Nellie Freeman
Cleopatra Jones, would-be novelist.....	Ellen Anderson
Mrs. Dooless, the victim of C. D.....	Ellen Lewis
Sarah Smith, looking for a husband.....	Lorena Taylor

Cold Weather for March

The month of March opened with the coldest weather that has struck this section of the county the past winter, but finds us with one of the warmest lines of merchandise it has been our pleasure to show.

Dry Goods